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# The Daily Press.

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HONGKONG, NOVEMBER 28th, 1904.

On two previous occasions we have expressed the opinion that the term "law" as applied to the set of conventions known generically as International Law is inexact, if not absolutely a misnomer. At the time, we did not expect that the importance of the point would so soon be made apparent by a trial in the Court. Indeed, except as a matter having a certain academic interest, it did not occur to us that the discussion of the question—apart from a possible political outcome—was particularly practical or profitable. It arose, however, in the course of the local trial of certain issues of the dispute concerning a charter-party made between the owners of the ship *Prometheus* and the Osaka Shosen Kaisha. The Counsel for the shipowners contended, very naturally, as Russia had declared a certain principle to be the law, and as the Powers were permitting Russia to act as if her own declaration was the law, that this Russian declaration was to all intents and purposes the law under which the shipowners should conduct their business. The International lawyers had said contraband of war was one thing; the Russians had declared it another; and as Russia was the only authority that seemed to be giving practical effect to either or any definition, it seemed a sorry business to look to any so-called law that was not being enforced. We do not for one moment consent to suppose, even in face of Russia's declaration, and the fact that for some inscrutable reason the Statesmen of the world are allowing her to have her own way, that the law of contraband is not International Law as understood by other Powers. Nor do we question in the slightest Sir H. S. BERKELEY's decision that the law ruling the behaviour of neutral shipping should be International Law, and not any casual arbitrary ruling of some Power which

may for the time be enjoying the "splendid isolation" of SATAN after the rebellious council in the hall of Pandemonium. But with His Lordship's argument that a law agreed upon remains law even while some of its nominal adherents are flagrantly disobeying it, it is not so easy to be satisfied. Law may be a code of shalts and shalt-nots agreed to by a community, or a similar code enforced upon the community by some authority to whom the community has permitted the necessary power. It would seem foolish to suggest, as Sir HENRY BERKELEY says, because some persons possess temporarily the power to resist an established municipal law, that such municipal law has ceased to exist. The point is, however, that such power of resistance could only be temporary, as the power of the law to enforce its own observance must be re-asserted sooner or later. International law has never had such power, while the power to resist it has always been enjoyed by nations who in time of peace may have agreed to principles. Murderers frequently have the power for a time to defy the law, but the law against murder stands. Could it be said to stand if the law, instead of intervening as soon as possible, were to say to the murderer at large: "We protest against your act, which was unlawful," and let it go at that? There are laws now on the British statute books which are undoubtedly the law—here Sir HENRY BERKELEY's point seems to receive support—but which, by common consent, are regarded as dead-letters, and not acted upon. Suppose there were no arrangements for enforcing these old statutes in case of need, and we have the status of international law, which consists of a mass of opinion as to what should be lawful, but has no machinery behind it to compel obedience to its dicta. True, there are numerous legal decisions based on its principles, but these were not international decisions. They were the decisions of judges learned in international law and its customs, and affected only individual delinquents coming within their own jurisdiction. Russia as a nation sets aside international law, even to the extent of repudiating a principle to which she had previously consented. A law which can be repudiated is not a law in the sense in which the term is understood.

The "golden rule" is a law which all men consent to. At least, we have heard of no man, and can imagine no man, likely to have the hardihood to oppose the principle of doing to others what he wishes others to do to him. In practice, however, this "law," or this "rule," the terms being rightly interchangeable, is more often broken than observed. As a matter of strict definition, it is not a "law," and it is not a golden "rule," because there is no Ruler, or Power, or mechanism back of it to put it into force. It is an axiom, an adage, a proverb, but it is no more; and that is the case with international law. Law is useless, and practically non-existent, if it does not practise. For practical purposes, in the current war, a cautious shipowner will naturally say that the law for him to obey is the law that is being enforced, and that is just what is being done, even by British shippers, whose national laws recognise and uphold the international law which does nothing to protect them if they fall within the clutches of Russia who has a law unto herself. The only known way to enforce law is in the provision of penalties for breach, and international law has no penalties. The horse led to the water could probably be made also to drink, if it could be made to understand that a refusal to drink would involve a beating. Russia in 1856 was led to the water (or international law of contraband and other things) and now, in 1904, she refuses to drink. More faith would be felt in the actuality of international law if Russia were also made to understand that her repudiation, if persisted in, would mean a beating.

The children of the Union Church Sunday school went out to Quarry Bay for a picnic on Saturday.

The King has approved of the appointment of the Hon. Gershom Stewart to be an unofficial member of the Legislative Council vice the Hon. C. S. Sharp resigned.

The Hongkong Volunteer Corps is now deprived of the services of Bomb. C. G. Danby and Gunner S. R. Boyd, both of these gentlemen having resigned.

The Members of the Sergeants' Mess, 1st Bn. Sherwood Foresters, are giving a farewell Quadrille party in the spacious Library at Mount Austin Barracks this (Monday) evening, 28th instant, to their numerous friends, both military and civilian. Dancing will commence at 8 p.m. and be kept up until 2 a.m. Special cars will run for the return journey to Hongkong.

Taotai Pan Hsiao-shu, the Chinese Manager of the Shanghai-Nanking Railway, has been appointed Director of the Copper and Silver mint at Nanking, and also of the army store at Nanking. The Taotai was to take up his new post on the 26th November. Taotai Lin is appointed to succeed him in the management of the Shanghai-Nanking Railway.

As it is anticipated in shipping circles in England that the fall of Port Arthur will release many Japanese cruisers for commerce-destriving work, precautions are being taken to despatch steamers for Vladivostok by a route which will carry them clear of Japan to the East and bring them, on passing north of Yezo, within the protective influence of the Vladivostok squadron.

To-night there begins another lot of fresh "turns" at the Circus, including Mr. Cooke's spectacular play called "Defending the colour," in which the beautiful horse "Black Boss" acts almost as well as he does. The Alton brothers do acrobatics, "Pop" performs as a "man monkey," and there is a wonderful boy contortionist. The lions are now more tractable, and on Saturday night performed without trying to eat the trainer. On Friday night there is to be a riding contest.

# THE AMATEUR DRAMATIC SOCIETY.

On Saturday night the Amateur Dramatic Society gave their fifth performance of the popular opera "Dorothy."

The house was comfortably filled and the audience, which included H.E. the Governor and suite, was an appreciative one, and numerous encores were given. The songs were very satisfactorily rendered and the chorus and orchestra were also extremely good.

To-night the last performance will be given.

# FOOTBALL.

## HONGKONG FOOTBALL CLUB v. NAVAL TEAM.

This match was played between a team representing the Hongkong Club and a team picked from the men of H. M. ships in port. The game was played under Rugby rules, and proved very exciting.

Result: Naval team, 2 goals, 2 tries. Club, 1 goal.

## "VENGEANCE" v. "THETIS."

This match was played between a second eleven from each of these ships, and the *Vengeance* team, true to the traditions of their seniors, carried off 5 laurels, the result being:—*Vengeance*, 5; *Thetis*, 2.

## DERBY v. WEST KENTS.

This was a match between the Sergeants and Staff-Sergeants of each regiment, and resulted in a win for the West Kents by three goals to one.

## R.G.A. v. DOCKYARD.

This match was played between teams representing the Royal Garrison Artillery and the Dockyard. It was a very evenly contested game, but the Artillery had more luck in their shooting for goals than had the Dockyard, the result being: R.G.A. 3; Dockyard, nil.

# SEQUEL TO A HONGKONG SECRET MARRIAGE.

A remarkable marriage story was unfolded before Sir Francis Jeune last month during the hearing of the petition of Mrs. Lillias Maxwell Cooper King for a divorce from her husband, Reginald Garrett Cooper King, an Army captain. The marriage took place in Hongkong seventeen years ago, and was a secret one. The parties had never lived together as man and wife, and the husband had always refused to find a home for his wife. She brought an action against him for restitution of conjugal rights, and obtained a decree, but it was ignored.

The President asked how it was proposed to give strict proof of the Hongkong marriage. Counsel replied that this was done in the former suit for restitution.

There was no defence to the present suit, and a decree nisi, with costs, was granted.

# SUGAR EXPORT.

The Hon. F. H. May, C.M.G., the Colonial Secretary, has issued the following notification. It is hereby notified that for the purposes of regulation No. III in His Majesty's Order in Council of the 11th day of August, 1903, made under the Imperial Sugar Convention Act of 1903, (3 Edw. 7), the superintendent of imports and exports of Hongkong for the time being is the "Fiscal Authority" for this Colony, and that all certificates of origin relating to sugar to be exported must accordingly be declared before him and must be in the form of which copies can be had on application at the harbour office.

In accordance with the regulations made on the 17th day of November, under section 3 of the Sugar Convention Ordinance, 1904, a fee of \$5 will be payable at the time of making each declaration.

# WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report:—

On the 27th at 11.58 a.m. The barometer has risen rapidly in Japan and slightly in S. China and the Philippines but a rapid fall is shown in N. China.

The anticyclone remarked yesterday over northern China has moved eastward and would appear to be followed by a depression near the Gulf of Pechili.

Moderate N.E. monsoon may be expected in the Formosa Channel and fresh monsoon in the northern part of the China Sea.

Forecast:—Fresh E. to N.E. winds, cloudy, &c.

# TELEGRAMS.

## [REUTER'S SERVICE.]

## SEVERE GALE IN ENGLAND.

LONDON, 24th November.

There has been a great gale in the North Sea causing several wrecks and loss of life. Blowing snow storms have occurred in the north and the midlands of England; telegraph lines were broken and trains delayed. Their Majesties the King and Queen of Portugal were swept up at Chatsworth, where they were the guests of the Duke of Devonshire.

## THE WAR.

## [REUTER'S SERVICE.]

## THE JAPANESE IN CHINA.

LONDON, 24th November.

Under the auspices of the Colonial Society, the traveller, Herr Wons, in a lecture in Berlin, drew attention to the ubiquitous activity of Japanese traders in China, which ubiquity "was menacing German trade, even in our Shantung, where the Japanese and not the Germans had benefited by the increase of trade resulting from the Tsingtau-Tsinanfu railway." He contrasted, unfavourably to the Japanese, their commercial morality against that of the Chinese, and complained that the Japanese Courts were prejudiced against foreigners. He believed that the real object of the war was the commercial and industrial expansion of Japan, and warned his hearers that if the Japanese were victorious the Chinese would give increased support to Japanese trade and German trade would be stranded "high and dry."

## NEW RUSSIAN LOAN.

LONDON, 24th November.

The German bankers have taken up twenty, and the Paris bankers thirty millions of the Russian 5 per cent. loan of £50,000,000, redeemable in five or seven years to be issued in January.

## THE ANGLO-RUSSIAN CONVENTION SIGNED.

LONDON, 25th November.

The Hon. Charles Harding, Secretary of the Embassy at St. Petersburg, and Count Lamsdorff, have signed the Enquiry Convention re the North Sea Outrage.

## THE SITUATION AT MUKDEN.

LONDON, 25th November.

Russian correspondents at Mukden dwell on the difficulty of obtaining food, forage, and fuel, especially fuel, without which the huge blocks of ice from the river and wells cannot be melted, thus making the supply of water an insurmountable problem.

## A MYSTERIOUS MISSION.

LONDON, 25th November.

Attention is attracted to the recent passage through the Canal, southwards, of three yachts, the *Florentina*, *Catarina* and *Emerald*. The London agents of the *Florentina* and *Catarina* decline to disclose the charterers. The mysterious mission is supposed to be for exploring reefs in the Red Sea for the Baltic fleet.

## (From Northern Papers.)

## ANOTHER GENERAL ATTACK ON PORT ARTHUR.

CHEFOO, 21st November.

It is reported that the fourth general attack on Port Arthur has been commenced.

## THE OLD "THALES" SENT TO PASHO.

TOKYO, 21st November.

The ex-British steamer *Thales*, bought from the Douglas Steamship Co., Ltd., and now the German steamer *Velefa*, with quantities of winter clothes, blankets, medicine, and meat on board, which was steering for Port Arthur at 3 a.m. on the 19th inst., near Chefoo, was chased and boarded by the Japanese torpedo gunvessel *Tatsuta*. The captain stated that his vessel was destined for Newchwang, but she was recognised as an intending blockade-runner, and sent to Pasho.

## NEWS FROM THE SHAHO.

TOKYO, 20th November.

At dawn on the 18th inst. a Russian detachment made a counterattack near Hsialungtan, on the left bank of the Upper Shaho, which was repulsed. Since the morning of the 18th inst. the Russians in the vicinity of Shaho have been indirectly bombarding with large mortars and fieldpieces, presumably for the purpose of destroying the Japanese defences, but so far without doing any damage. The same day, a body of Russian infantry was discovered near

Hsialungtan. The Japans opened fire, and the Russians fled in confusion. Huangshihitan and other villages to the south have been burnt by the Russians.

## LATER.

Marshal Oyama reports that at noon yesterday the Japanese fired at and drove back a force of Russian infantry constructing works, at Liuchiangtan, with musket infantry in their rear. At other points there is no change.

## JAPANESE PROGRESS AT PORT ARTHUR.

TOKYO, 19th November.

It is unofficially stated that the forts on Erlingshan and Sungshushan were blown up at 2.30 p.m. on the 17th inst., destroying the bulk of the Russian machine guns and the breastworks.

[According to Vladimir's "The China-Japan War," Sungshushan (Pine-Tree Hill) is 103 metres high, and had one fort on it ten years ago; Erlingshan (Two-Dragon Hill) is 82 metres high; and had seven forts on it. These, with the forts on Ileshan (Chair Hill) form the key to the whole defence of Port Arthur.]

## OPENING OF THE POLICE RECREATION CLUB.

There was a large gathering of the force, and also of ladies, to witness the opening of the Police Recreation Club by the Captain Superintendent, Mr. F. J. Bodeley, at Happy Valley on Saturday afternoon. Chief Detective Inspector Hanson on calling upon the Captain Superintendent to open the Club said:—Mr. Bodeley, Mr. Hallifax, Mrs. Bodeley, ladies and gentlemen:—Some time ago I ventured to repeat the saying "A policeman's life is not a happy one," but in doing so, I claimed that, whatever truth there might be in the saying, there was much comfort to be derived from the encouragement there is in the good-will of our superiors, such good-will being naturally the outcome of duty done and the respect of the residents having been won. To-day, having been asked by my comrades to speak on this auspicious occasion, I take the liberty to again refer to the old saying "A policeman's life is not a happy one," but I will, on this occasion, go a step further and claim that our life is, since I last referred to the saying, a happier one. Now, ladies and gentlemen, to whom and to what do we owe this state of happiness? We have now a nice piece of ground and a shed, and have established ourselves here as the H.K.P.R.C. To whom do we owe all this? To you, Mr. Bodeley, and to you, Mr. Hallifax, who have in the course of a few months secured for us this privilege. I have been asked to invite you to open the ground this afternoon, and I do so with great pleasure, but I will also ask you to accept the thanks of us all for what you have done. And so will we, as the grass upon which we play, keep your memory ever green.

Mr. Bodeley, in a prompt manner, declared the Club opened, and Inspector Withers forthwith hoisted the Club's flag. The Captain Superintendent said the opening of the club was entirely due to Deputy Superintendent Hallifax, also to Inspectors Withers and Langley. Mr. Hallifax had worked like a horse, and the result was evident. Up till now the police cricket club had had a fair measure of success, which they had accepted with loud jubilation, and he trusted they would accept the reverse in the way observed by philosophers and sportsmen. He did not look upon league matches as all in all. The club was formed to get as much enjoyment out of it as possible, and although the married men had been thrashed that day—the score stood 144 against 32 with five wickets to fall—they would proceed forthwith to retaliate at a game of bowls. He hoped, ere long, that the club would be able to arrange matches between the ladies.

Japanese and Russian armies have been fighting in Chinese territory. The cannon balls, bombshells and rifle bullets going astray have ploughed up the fields of the poor Chinese peasants, wrecked their houses, murdered their wives and children. Entire villages have been destroyed, vast tracts of land made into deserts. In all directions pitiful processions may be seen wandering, hopeless and forlorn, to seek some resting place free from murder and savage soldiery. Unhappy mothers are seen walking through the deep mud carrying their babies and leading the older children. Thin half-starved animals are driven along by them. No mind can picture the suffering which hideous war inflicts upon the poor helpless, peaceful non-resisting peasants of that sad country. But all this misery of living people stirs up no protest, and apparently no feeling, in the dead spirit that rules over China. No protest is heard, no appeal is sent to the Czar or the Mikado, begging him to think of the poor wretches that live where the bullets fly, or to spare the helpless women and children near the scenes of battle. The long lines of human beings, hunted by misery, plod along toward distant cities that will not receive them, or fall dying by the roadside. Not a word is said for them—they are only living people, driven to death. But suddenly the dead spirit of China wakes up. Urgent protests and appeals are sent to St. Petersburg and Tokyo. Almost with real feeling the representatives of the Chinese Emperor and of the Chinese governing spirit beg the Russians and Japanese not to fight, or even make a noise, within a certain designated territory. What is that territory? It is the territory of the sacred tombs. There the dead lie buried, and have lain buried, for centuries—the great dead of a great dead nation. No women or children are there—no living beings to protect. Dead China, which has been indifferent to the suffering of the living, protests energetically against any desecration of the fields devoted to the dead.—*New York Evening Journal*.

## GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO., LTD.

### INCORPORATED IN CAPITAL.

An extraordinary general meeting of the Green Island Cement Company, Limited, was held at the Company's office, St. George's Buildings, on Saturday morning. The Hon. R. Shewan presided, and there were also present Hon. Sir Paul Chater, Hon. W. J. Grasson (Consulting Committee), Mr. N. H. Rutherford (Secretary), Messrs. E. A. Howett, A. Turner, C. A. Tomes, T. Skinner, R. C. Wilcox, F. D. Goddard, and Fung Wa Chun (shareholders).

The SECRETARY read the notice convening the meeting. It had been called for the purpose of passing the following resolutions:—

That the Capital of the Company be increased from \$1,000,000 (divided into 100,000 shares of \$10 each) to \$1,500,000 (divided into 150,000 shares of \$10 each) by the creation of 50,000 new shares of \$10 each to be offered and if accepted to be allotted to the persons constituting the shareholders of the Company according to the Company's Register of Shareholders on the 28th day of February, 1905, at a premium of \$10 for each and every single share of such 50,000 new shares in the ratio and proportion of one new share for every two old shares in the Company held by the respective Shareholders thereof; the amount payable on each of such new shares respectively (including the said premium of \$10 per share) to be paid as to one equal half part thereof on the 31st day of March, 1905, and as to the remainder thereof (including the balance of the said premium) on the 30th day of June, 1905.

And that failing such allotment as aforesaid the said new shares be disposed of by the General Managers in accordance with the Company's Articles of Association.

And that for the purpose of facilitating the carrying into effect of the above Resolution the Transfer and other Books of the Company be closed for the space of seven days as on and from the 1st day of March, 1905.

The CHAIRMAN said:—Gentlemen, before I proceed to put the resolutions just read to the meeting I will, as briefly as possible, explain the necessity for more capital. We have added to and extended the capacity of the factories here and at Macao until we can go no further. We have now reached a total output of 34,000 barrels per month, but the demand has more than kept pace with our enlargements so that in spite of all, we have still to suffer the chagrin of seeing good orders go past us. We have, therefore, to practically begin an additional factory. After very thorough study of the whole question we have decided to put up a Rotary Plant instead of Aalborg Kilns as before. Rotary Kilns are now giving great satisfaction in Europe and America. To begin with the first cost of the plant is considerably less and in our case the saving is still greater, as we can take advantage of a good part of our present installation for the working of these Kilns, while as compared with the old Kilns the quality of the cement produced, though not on the whole any higher than at present, will recommend it to a particular section of our customers. Our Superintendent Mr. Uldall studied these kilns at home some time ago and recommends their adoption, and our Chief Engineer, Mr. Howett, being on a holiday we took advantage of his presence in England to place orders for a two Rotary Kiln Plant complete, making, as far as possible, special arrangements for adding one Rotary Kiln or more if required later on. These two Rotaries will give us about 16,000 barrels per month additional, a large increase in proportion to the cost of the new plant, which we estimate will be something under \$400,000. Our present overdraft with our bankers is \$486,000 and there is the dividend which may be reckoned at not more than \$200,000, so that altogether the proposed \$1,000,000 new capital and premium will not be more than enough for our wants. We shall, however, be in a much stronger position, and, as the more we make the lower the cost, we should be able to produce our cement at a price which should defy competition. As everyone knows this Company had to pay dearly for its experience; it cost us practically all our original capital and years of work and struggle against adverse conditions, which do not obtain in Europe or America, and we do not envy any rivals who should attempt to take a new concern through all that this Company underwent at its inception. We have had an unusually good year, but we cannot count upon always having a large Admiralty Dock contract to fall back upon such as we have at present. It is never safe to prophesy unless one knows, but as the end of the year is so near and I know that shareholders are anxious for a word on the subject I will go so far as to say that at a rough estimate, for it is impossible to give figures that are at all exact without taking stock and closing all our books our profit this year should be about 40 to 50 per cent. more than last year.

After giving those present time to suggest amendments the CHAIRMAN put the resolutions to the meeting.

Mr. E. A. HEWETT had very much pleasure in seconding. He was sure that all present appreciated the excellent manner in which the business of the company had been developed and the success that had been attained, which fully justified the proposals that were before the meeting. He was not in a position to express an opinion as to what had just been said regarding the experiment that it was proposed to make with the new kilns, but he believed the Company was correct in making the experiment. With regard to the Company, wherever he went he found that Green Island Cement was being largely used. He had seen it in North China, Singapore, and the Philippines. It was very clear that a much larger business was before them if their out-put was increased.

The motions were carried unanimously.

The CHAIRMAN said that a confirmatory meeting would be held later.



## HONGKONG JOTTINGS.

Signs are not wanting that Christmas is drawing very near. Toys are shown in the shop windows and children are reminded of Christmas trees. Paterfamilias consoles himself with the reflection that there will be no difficulty in procuring the tree this year. The woodcutters have been very busy lately, and I have no doubt all orders received for Xmas Trees by the Botanical and Afforestation Department will receive the best attention. Anxious as the Government are to develop this source of revenue, this opportunity should not be overlooked. It should be advertised that the Chief Woodcutter has an unlimited supply at his disposal eminently suitable for Christmas Trees and that prices will be marked in plain figures, etc.

I make the latter suggestion in consequence of overhearing a conversation between two ladies. One was wearing a brand new cloak which the other had evidently seen before. "If I might ask, how much did you give for that handsome cloak?" said Lady No. 1. "Only \$140," replied the other. "You did!" exclaimed her interrogator thoroughly astonished. "Well, well, that is how your friends treat you," she said, and confided to the equally astonished Lady No. 2 that she had admired that cloak in a shop, and the shopkeeper being an old friend of hers offered to let her have it at "the specially low figure of \$180." The Woodcutter will see the moral. If the Colonial Secretary should come to buy a Xmas Tree—well, having printed the moral, I must leave it to others to adorn the tale.

Some time ago when complaints were being heard regarding the gradually increasing price of meat in the Colony I drew up a comparative table of the prices obtaining in Hongkong, Shanghai and Japan. I showed that prices in Shanghai were appreciably lower than in Hongkong, while in Japan they were considerably higher than we are required to pay here. In Kobe just now I note that a strong protest is being made by the foreign community against the continuous advance in prices. One correspondent gives in a brief letter a few quotations which are sufficiently interesting to bear quotation here.

HONGKONG.	SHANGHAI.	KOBE.
Beef .....	Per lb. 17 cents	Per lb. 10 to 16 cents
Scup .....	14 .....	22 .....
Mutton .....	24 .....	12 to 19 cents

I suppose the rise is partially explained by the growing popularity of a meat diet among the Japanese.

The great grievance of the resident in Hongkong who does not happen to be the owner of his own dwelling house is the continual rise in rents, due to the increasing population. There are many who think that in this respect "there never was such a place." But that is a mistake. The century, the nonagenarian, or octogenarian of London could not find a tale unfulfilled. In a recent issue of the *Times* I noticed an advertisement reproduced from the *Times* of 100 years ago, announcing for sale by public auction "a modern, brick built family dwelling finished in superior style, situated in Upper Kennington Place, Vauxhall. The rent of this 'singularly recently fitted up and convenient leasehold residence' with full-bearing fruit trees in the garden was '5 guineas per annum.' Now it is difficult to get a decent house in a Vauxhall terrace for five guineas a month. Thus times change and rents change with them in other places as well as in Hongkong.

The allusion in the obituary notice of Mr. Justice Leach to his interest in sport will be recalled to many old cricketers the leading party which Mr. Leach used to take as a member of the Hongkong Cricket Club. Few officials have left this Colony with more general manifestations of regret. "He will be remembered in Hongkong," said the *Daily Press* on the occasion of his farewell to the Colony, "by all who know him as one who has in a pre-eminent degree possessed the qualities dear above all others to Englishmen, of being a good comrade, a good sportsman, and a gentleman." He was entertained at a dinner on the Cricket Ground at which His Excellency the Governor, Sir William Robinson, was present, and in a speech which came with particularly good grace from one who could speak as an old cricketer as well as an official chief spoke of his professional worth and ability and expressed the hope that Mr. Leach had been lent, not given, to Singapore, and that he would be welcomed back to Hongkong in good health and in a still more responsible position. That was nine years ago, and the hope now is, unfortunately, beyond possibility of fulfilment.

## BANYAN.

## CHUNGKING NEEDS FOREIGNERS.

In his recent report to the Foreign Office, the Acting British Consul at Chungking (Mr. H. E. Sly) deplores the representation of British trade interests there by Chinese, and points out the disadvantages of the system. He adds:—"I am well aware that the argument is frequently advanced that the commercial inducement of Chungking are not sufficient to warrant the expenditure of maintaining a foreigner in residence. The steady advance in the trade of the port from 1894 to 1903, all allowance being made for the possibility of transfer of the trade to the Imperial Maritime Customs, does not, however, appear to justify the view. In 1894 the value of the first trade passing through the Imperial Maritime Customs was 10,781,505 taels; in 1903 it was 29,224,688 taels. In other words, in nine years the trade of the port has almost trebled. It must, too, be borne in mind that at present only one-fifth of the entire trade of Chungking goes through the foreign customs, the remainder passing under *likin*."

## CRICKET.

1902.

CIVIL SERVICE & KOWLOON.

This match was won by the Kowloon Cricket Club by 55 runs. The scores were:—

**KOWLOON.**

Parkes c Woolley b Raven	20
Dixon c Atkinson b Jackman	55
Cholland c Woolley b Weaver	0
Horton b Weaver	11
Robinson b Raven	0
Swan c Atkinson b Raven	0
Cross b Raven	2
Moss c Atkinson b Weaver	8
Harrop c Jackman b Weaver	3
May c Raven b Weaver	6
Stevenson, not out	3
Extras	9
<b>Total</b>	<b>117</b>

CIVIL SERVICE.	
Lamble c Parkes b Dixon	7
Raven b Dixon	0
Weaver b Swan	9
Atkinson c Robinson b Swan	20
Jackman c Swan b Dixon	7
Le Brett b Swan	4
Robins c Parkes b Dixon	1
Parkinson b Dixon	7
Andrews b Dixon	0
Lees c Robertson b Swan	1
Woolley not out	1
Extras	5
Total	62

ROYAL ENGINEERS & HONGKONG "A."

HONGKONG "A."	
De Paris c Tilman b Dukes	31
Kew b Kinnear	25
Fulford not out	34
Mackenzie not out	25
Extras	22
Total	137

The following did not bat—J. Hooper, Parker, t, Rutherford, Wolfe, Oliver and Seth.

ROYAL ENGINEERS.	
Smith b Oliver	15
Mellman b Mackenzie	1
Tilman b Rutherford	35
Chesley b Mackenzie	1
Thorndill b Rutherford	15
Glasbrook c and b Butt	6
Dukes b Rutherford	0
Kinnear b Rutherford	2
Whiles, not out	0
Davies not out	1
Extras	8

The following did not bat:—J. Hooper, Parker, Butt, Rutherford, Wolfe, Oliver and Seth.

ROYAL ENGINEERS.

Smith b Oliver .....	15
McLennan b Mackenzie .....	1
Tilman b Rutherford .....	38
Chesney b Mackenzie .....	1
Thorndill b Rutherford .....	15
Glassbrook c and b Butt .....	6
Dukes b Rutherford .....	0
Kinnear b Rutherford .....	2
Whiles, not out .....	0
Davies not out .....	1
Extras .....	8
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>87</b>

Stephens did not bat.

R.A.M.C. V. PARSEES.

Mulla c Ingmire b Barrett	0
Tata b Harvey	8
Master c Dearsley b Harvey	2
Bejonjee b Wilson	6
Mowrawala b Wilson	0
Batlhwara, not out	0
Extra	5
Total	70

A.O.C. v. CRAIGENGOWER.

This match was won by the A.O.C. by 32 runs. Scores stood:—

PARSEES.

Noria run out .....	5
Chinnoy b Byford .....	14
Jeejeebhoy b W. Wilson .....	2
Chinnoy b Byford .....	28
Chinnoy c Ingraine b Barrett .....	0
Tata b Harvey .....	8
Master c Dearsley b Harvey .....	2
Bejorjee b Wilson .....	6
Mowwala b Wilson .....	0
Battiwara, not out .....	0
Extras .....	5
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>70</b>

A.O.C. V. CRAIGSGOWER.

CHAIGENGOWER.	
Kinnaird b McGibbon b Davies	1
Jorden b Bradford	1
Brown, not out	39
Asger b Davies	0
Stuart c McGibbon b Davies	3
Lammert b Bradford	0
L. Rose l.h.w. b Bradford	4
Easa b Skinner	7
Festonji, run out	0
Ford c McGibbon b Bradford	0
Uchigaki b Bradford	0
Extras	7
Total	62

CRAIGSGOWER.

Kinnaird c McGibbon b Davies .....	1
Jordan b Bradford .....	1
Brown, not out .....	39
Asger b Davies .....	0
Stuart c McGibbon b Davies .....	3
Lammert b Bradford .....	4
L. Rose b W. Bradford .....	7
Basu b Skinner .....	0
Pestonji, run out .....	0
Ford c McGibbon b Bradford .....	0
Uchigaki b Bradford .....	0
Extras .....	7
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>62</b>

## SHIPPING NOTES.

## STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The M.M. steamer *Tonkin*, with the next French mail, left Saigon on Saturday, the 26th Nov. at 1 a.m., and is expected here to-morrow at noon.

The C. & M. steamer *Rubi* left Manila on the 26th Nov. at noon, and is due here to-day at 3.30 p.m.

The N.D.L. steamer *Willehad*, with 201 Japanese refugees on board, left Singapore on Friday at 7 p.m., and may be expected here on Thursday.

The Boston Steamship Co.'s steamer *Shanauet* sailed from Seattle for Japan ports only on the 23rd Nov.

The Boston Steamship Co.'s steamer *Tremont* sailed from Seattle on the 23rd Nov. for Japan, Shanghai, Hongkong and Manila.

The O.S.S. & C.M. steamer *Deception* left Victoria (B.C.) on the 24th Nov. for Hongkong via Japan ports and Shanghai, and may be expected here about 3rd Jan. 1905.

## MISCELLANEOUS.

The Captain of the s.s. *Wo Sang* reports that the entrance buoy to the Middle Channel of Hainan Straits is missing. There is therefore nothing to mark that Channel for ships passing from the eastward.

A Light-boat, to be known as the *Kiangyin Shoo Light-boat*, from which a white Light is exhibited, has been moored on the southern edge of the Kiangyin Shoal in the Kiangyin Reach, Yangtze River.

## REVIEWS.

*At the Moorings.* By ROSA NOUCHETTE CAREY. London: Macmillan and Co., Ltd. Hongkong: Kelly & Walsh, Ltd.

The standard of criticism adopted in this column, for novels, is a simple one reached by asking the question: "Will novel readers, reading for mere pastime, be as interested as they wish to be? Is it dull or interesting, and then, if the latter, is it a healthy interest? In the case of 'At the Moorings,' it depends more than usually upon the reader. I liked it. The authoress is a conscientious writer, taking her art seriously, and maintaining high ideals. There is no sensational plot here, only a well-sustained narrative of the talks and dreams and loves and hopes of an ideal group of nice, healthy-minded people, who are almost too good to have lived contemporaneously in any one place. One cannot help feeling sympathetic toward them, and feeling that some of them had the truest conception of the meaning of life. The already popular authoress should feel proud of this latest product of her pen.

*The Man Behind the Door.* By ARCHIBALD CLAVERING GUNTER. London: George Bell & Sons.

The author of the famous "Mr. Barnes of New York" has become a stylist. The first thing that one notices when dipping into this book is the curious effect produced by the continuous use of the present tense.

"At the widow's? Oh, Jerusalem!" gasps Kelsey.

"At Mrs. Martin's? Oh, consternation!" thinks Charles.

"At Mrs. Mirin's? Oh, galupation!" shrieks Johnston.

"Certainly, at Mrs. Montague Martin's," answers Probit.

And so on. The story is thoroughly American, full of American idioms, and, as is customary in Mr. Gunter's books, very sensational and somewhat sensual. There are several very risqué situations. Most novel readers will find it amusing. It is certainly interesting, but being men will laugh at the author's idea that one man of the eight can win a race by his personal prowess.

*A Trump's Note-Book.* By MORLEY ROBERTS. London: George Bell and Sons.

This is a collection of travel sketches by a journalist, who seems to have been a tramp from choice rather than from necessity. He says: "I wanted some of the English rust knocked off me. Living in England ends in making a man poor of resource. I hardly know an ordinary Londoner who would not shiver at the notion of being 'dead broke' in any foreign city, to say nothing of one on the other side of the world; and though it is not a pleasant experience it has some charms and many uses. It wakes a man up, shows him the real world again, and makes him know his own value once more." One of the most interesting is a sketch, much too short, of a visit to "R.L.S." in Samoa, just before that lovable man and great craftsman died.

*The Expression of the Emotions in Man and Animals.* By CHARLES DARWIN. London: John Murray, Albemarle Street, W. 1904. Price 2s. 6d.

This is an excellent reprint of one of Darwin's least useful works, and contains the original illustrations, photographs and drawings. It has been one of the most popular of Darwin's books, possibly because there is nothing in it not to be understood of the people, and the reader can store his mind with sufficient to give him a quasi-scientific culture. Some of the evidence amassed is of more than doubtful value; and consequently some of the conclusions less useful than is to be expected from Darwin. A more hypothesis, less plausible than others in existence, concerning the way angry animals depress their ears, is promulgated on page 875 with the formula "there can hardly be any doubt." But there is no need now to discuss the book itself. As a new reprint, this popular edition is eminently satisfactory in all respects. It appears to be one of a new series of scientific works.

*Our Silent Navy. Is it forgotten?* A series of replies to the question "What do you consider the best means of creating amongst the general public a real interest and sympathy towards the Navy?" London: Westminster Press (Gerrards, Ltd.) Sixpence.

Perhaps we offend in common with those of whom this symposium says "The Press fails lamentably in its duty to the Services." At any rate, our attitude towards this book and its question is well voiced by one of its contributors, Mr. Julian S. Corbett, who says: "So far as I can judge, the general public displays as much real interest and sympathy towards the Navy as it does towards anything else that is really interesting or deserving of sympathy. My attitude, therefore, is one of gratitude and satisfaction in the matter, combined with a certain reluctance to force a real healthy sentiment into what some of the old Elizabethans used to call the 'Idolatry of Neptune.'"

*A Song of a Single Note.* By AMELIA E. BARR. London: Geo. Bell & Sons.

The old, old story is the "song of a single note," and this popular woman's writer has woven a conventional but charming love story into a chronicle of the stirring times of the American rebellion. There are two girls to love and be contrasted, and the inevitable English peer, who draws to say nothing of an adventurous American spy. There is a happy ending, and the novel devours is sure to express satisfaction with the story. The higher criticism has no concern with a plain tale like this, which accomplishes all it aims at.

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## CANTON REGATTA.

## SECOND DAY.

Saturday was the second day of the Canton Regatta, a most successful function. The Committee did everything in its power to give the visitors a good time. The weather was glorious. R. Wicheil, unfortunately, the V.R.C. bow, was unwell. The Boat Club, having shown its usual good form, is to be congratulated.

At the conclusion of the day's sport the prizes were presented by Miss Good.

In the evening the Canton Amateur Dramatic Club played "Jane," a comedy in three acts, and it was thoroughly enjoyed by everyone.

Results of the races were as follows:—

## INTERPORT DOUBLE SCULLS.

A one mile race. Entries:—V.R.C.—J. Wicheil, stroke; L. A. Mas-o, bow; G. A. Caldwell, cox. C.R.C.—W. Imhoof, stroke; W. Kuntzel, bow; R. Walter, cox. H.B.C.—W. O. Koehler, stroke; A. Toelcke, bow; B. Siebs, cox. C.R.C.—E. E. Andrus, stroke; L. Duran, bow; D. Tyleco, cox. Prize—two silver goblets.

H. B. C. .... 1  
V. R. C. .... 2  
W. Imhoof's team .... 3

The Hongkong crew were kept waiting in the sun for three quarters of an hour. Then Imhoof's crew turned up, but Andrus' crew did not start. Imhoof's crew merely paddled over the course, the men reserving themselves for the Interport Fours race. The two Hongkong crews had a hard fight, the Boat Club finally winning by half a length.

## JUNIOR FOURS.

A mile race. Entries:—H.B.C.—R. Berblinger, stroke; E. Luaders, three; W. Wedekind, two; W. Turner, bow. C.R.C.—N. Shaw, stroke; G. Hogg, three; H. Witte, two; S. F. Ricketts, bow. Five prizes.

H. B. C. .... 1  
C. R. C. .... 2

The Boat Club won this race by three lengths.

## INTERPORT SENIOR FOURS.

A challenge contest, one mile race for the Griffith challenge cup. Entries:—H.B.C.—W. O. Koehler, stroke; C. Koenig, three; G. C. Bruckner, two; A. Toelcke, bow; B. Siebs, cox. C.R.C.—W. Imhoof, stroke; R. Leslie, three; W. Kuntzel, two; L. Duran, bow; R. Walter, cox. V.R.C.—J. Wicheil, stroke; H. C. Austen, three; T. E. Pearce, two; R. C. Wicheil, bow; G. A. Caldwell, cox. Prize—five silver cups.

Imhoof's crew .... 1  
H. B. C. .... 2  
V. R. C. .... 3

The Canton crew won by four to five lengths, half a length between second and third.

## HONG GIG RACE.

This was a mile race for long gigs, four oars, Chinese crews with European coxswains. A very interesting event. Nine starters.

Messrs. Charlowit & Co. .... 1  
Messrs. Shawton, Tones & Co. .... 2

## LADIES FOURS.

A mile race. Entries:—H.B.C.—G. W. Carpenter, stroke; F. A. Biden, three; A. G. Walker, two; A. Y. Darby, bow. C.R.C.—E. E. Andrus, stroke; H. O. Bollmann, three; W. Saunders, two; C. Fumagalli, bow. H.B.C.—R. Berblinger, stroke; E. Luaders, three; W. Wedekind, two; W. Turner, bow.

Carpenter's crew .... 1  
Berblinger's crew .... 2

The Canton crew broke an outrigger and did not finish.

## NAVAL ITEMS.

The band of H.M.S. *Vengeance* played at the Bachelors' Ball, held at the Maceo Club, on Saturday night.

H.M.S. *Leviathan* is expected here on the 5th prox. She is to proceed to the Mediterranean Station.

H.M.S. *Sutlej*, for the Far Eastern station, is about to leave England.

## EXTRAORDINARY CORRUPTION IN RUSSIA.

The official life of Russia is the most corrupt of any in the world, if we are to believe M. Pierre Giffard, the war correspondent of a Paris newspaper. M. Giffard's sympathies are with Russia, and he is therefore not likely to over-estimate the corruption that exists.

In a book entitled "Roubles and Roubards" M. Giffard shows how, out of 2,000,000 roubles collected for the sick and wounded, not more than 300,000 roubles leaves the central administration, and even that sum suffers so much from "tapping" on its way out that there is scarcely anything left by the time it reaches its destination.

The departure of the Baltic Fleet was delayed so long as it was because "the money destined for it was seized by the birds of prey that we know of, and that Admiral Rozhdestvensky was in despair at not having been able to find in all the naval hierarchy one single honest man with whom he could share the burden of organization."

The money for thirty batteries of quick-firing guns was ready, but the order was never placed. The Grand Duke Michael, an octogenarian, had no memory, and eventually none of the officials under him knew what had become of the money.

A merchant, anxious for the title of civil General, went to the mayor of the town, who promised to speak to the Emperor about it if he, the merchant, would first endow an infirmary so as to merit the distinction. He paid 250,000 roubles. Six months passed away, and he got no answer. He went to the mayor again, who told him that for so rich a man the sum was not enough. He must give another 250,000. With a groan the aspirant to a title filled up a cheque for the money and passed it over. The mayor quietly folded it up, put it in his pocket, opened a drawer, took out a parchment, and presented it with the words: "And there, my dear sir, is your brevet of General."

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Hongkong, 28th November, 1904.

## ATTEMPTED ASSASSINATION AT SHANGHAI.

On Saturday the 19th instant, a Chinese youth drew a revolver, and was going to shoot the ex-Governor of Kuangsi as he came out of a Chinese restaurant at Shanghai. He was prevented. The native note-writer of the *Daily News* made the following comments on the occurrence. Wang Chih-chun, the notorious ex-Governor of Kuangsi, is the man whose exceedingly bad and malicious government of that province in 1902 actually extended the rebellion on there, and who was even on the point of recommending the introduction of French troops from Tongking to assist him in his work of suppressing the people of that rebellious province. It now transpires that the would-be assassin's name is Wan Fu-hua, forty-one years of age and a native of Anhui province (Wang Chih-chun is a native of Hunan), and it is said that he desired the ex-Governor's life because the latter was in the pay of the Russians and a traitor to his country. Wang Chih-chun is, however, a man reduced to the ranks—a cashiered official—seventy-one years of age and in very bad odor with the Empress Dowager on account of his lambasting hostilities to her Majesty of his ability to crush the Kuangsi rebellion in four months. As a matter of fact, the ex-Governor can hardly be termed "a dangerous man," and we understand he came from his temporary residence somewhere in Anhui province about three months ago, in response to an invitation from a number of his fellow provincials now in Kuangtung as expectant officials, to assist them in the agitation to prevent the American syndicate constructing the Hankow-Canton Railway from selling their interests to a Belgian, French, or Russian syndicate. We further learn that the would-be assassin furnished the Police with the names of a number of young men, members of an educational Club in Park Street, called the "Hsinghsing Hui," i.e., "An Advancement of Education Society," whom he (Wan Fu-hua) declared to be his accomplices. These youths were arrested and brought before the Mixed Court. It is also stated that Wan Fu-hua has a houseboat which is moored by the Chinese Bask, outside the East gate of Shanghai native city, and that this boat has been seized by the Taotai's runners who searched it but, so they say, found nothing incriminating on board. There is a rumour that a few youths who have been studying in Japan are filled with a burning desire to emulate the heroic deeds of Japanese "Soshi," who occasionally put away any they consider traitors to, or enemies of, their country. This may be true; but there is reason to believe that Wan Fu-hua was playing as it were to the gallery, when he declared to the Police that he wanted to put away Wan Chih-chun, for trying to sell his country to the Russians, instead of the truth, namely, that he had done so in order to satisfy a private revenge. Having "done the heroic" the man found it necessary to give out as fellow-conspirators the names of a number of harmless youths whose greatest sin is an admiration of Western costumes and desire to do them. One can imagine the kind of patriot we have in Wan Fu-hua, and the stuff that is in him, when presumably without torture or coercion, he volubly unrolls a string of names to the Police accusing the learners of names of being in the same boat as himself. We understand that the local mandarins in the city, under instructions from the ex-Governor, have demanded that Wan Fu-hua and his so-called fellow-conspirators be turned over to their tender mercies. We trust the authorities will stand firm and refuse to do so.

## THE "RATSTORPENY" AFFAIR.

The I.C.S. *Lienhsing*, which left Chefoo on the 18th instant, arrived at Shanghai on November 20th. Conversation between a N.C. *Daily News* reporter and her officers threw a little light upon the incident of the blowing up of the Russian torpedo-boat-destroyer *Ratstorpny*. The *Lienhsing* arrived in Chefoo harbour shortly after 9 a.m. on Wednesday morning, the 6th inst. For 36 hours previous to her arrival she had been weathering a N.W. squall, with continual snow—practically a blizzard. Arrived at Chefoo, she saw the *Ratstorpny* at anchor there, the torpedo-boat-destroyer having arrived some three hours previously. Between 11 a.m. and noon a boat put off from the *Ratstorpny* with officers on board who paid a visit to the Chinese cruiser *Hayung*. After an interview that lasted about three hours, the boat put back.

About 7 o'clock that evening, those on board the *Lienhsing* heard three distinct reports. They saw nothing, however, although anchored not far from the *Ratstorpny*. Having heard during the day that Japanese cruisers and torpedo-boat-destroyers had been sighted outside the harbour, they naturally thought that those vessels had arrived. Watching and seeing nothing, they concluded that the reports heard were those of rocks.

At daylight next day, however, they saw that the Russian torpedo-boat-destroyer had been blown up, apparently by her crew. At low tide her tunnels were some three feet above water, and before a guard was placed in the vicinity her gunnery was sealed by several curious spectators, trophies being also obtained in the shape of life-buoys and fittings. A conversation with some of the *Ratstorpny*'s crew, who spoke a little English, elicited very little information, the men speaking very guardedly. They said that during the squall four Russian torpedo-boat-destroyers had emerged from Port Arthur all with similar despatches, their objective being Chefoo, but what happened to the other three vessels they did not know. Asked if the destruction by their own hands of their own vessel was not a great expense to their nation they replied that the safe carriage of the despatches for St. Petersburg was a full recompense for the loss of all four boats.

Next morning, the 17th instant, some Japanese torpedo-boat-destroyers made their appearance, and it was reported that they had accounted for two Russian torpedo-boat-destroyers, and the *Ratstorpny* being in harbour, there was yet one unaccounted for.

The *Lienhsing* left Chefoo on the 11th instant in the morning and off the N.E. Promontory, sighted the I.C.S. *Yiksang* which had been stopped and spoken by a Japanese cruiser—apparently the *Suma*. The *Lienhsing* saw the *Suma*, but at the time she was busily engaged signalling to a large steamer flying the French flag.



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THE Undersigned has REMOVED his OFFICES this day to No. 7, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL (over the Deutsch Asiatische Bank).

(Sd.) W. DANBY, M.I.C.E. [2769]

## WANTED.

LADY and Gentleman want to SHARE HALF HOUSE in Victoria or Kowloon or take Rooms with separate use of Kitchen. Exchange of references required.

Apply to—

Care of Daily Press Office.

Hongkong, 26th November, 1904. [2770]

## HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

## NOTICE.

RACE will be run on SATURDAY, the 3rd December, 1904, at 7.30 A.M., as follows:

ST. ANDREW'S STAKES—Open to Subscription. Grifflins of this Season only. Catch Weights over 10 stone 10 lbs. Native Riders allowed. Distance Half a Mile.

Entrance 5s. Post Entries.

By Order,

T. F. HOUGH, Clerk of the Course.

Hongkong, 26th November, 1904. [2771]

## DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

## FOR SWATOW.

THE Company's Steamship

"HAIMUN,"

Captain Robson, will be despatched for the above port TO-MORROW, the 29th inst., at 9 A.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LA FRANK & CO.,

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Hongkong, 26th November, 1904. [2767]

## FOR SHANGHAI.

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This Steamship has superior accommodation for First and Second class passengers.

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SIEMSEN & CO.,

Agents.

Hongkong, 26th November, 1904. [2772]

## BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

## FROM RANGOON AND STRAITS.

THE Company's Steamship

"PURNEA,"

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after 12 o'clock Noon, on the 28th inst., will be landed at Consignees risk and expense into Godowns at EAST POINT.

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Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, 26th November, 1904. [2768]

## THE HONGKONG WEEKLY PRESS AND CHINA OVERLAND TRADE REPORT

will be ready to-morrow, and will contain:

Epitome of the Week's News.

Registration of Chinese Partnerships.

In Praise of H. E. C. Hou.

The Political Aspects of Religion.

The Anglo-Russian Impasse.

Historical Evidence.

Chinese Pedigrees.

La Liberté.

Hongkong Notings.

Supreme Court.

Canton.

Education in Canton.

Pukhoi.

Macao.

New Hotel for Kowloon.

Hongkong Old Volume Society.

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Hongkong, 26th November, 1904.

## INTIMATIONS



## NOTICE.

## ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS REWARD.

THE above sum will be paid to any person who gives information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons guilty of Stealing or Embezzling a Cheque for NINE THOUSAND DOLLARS made out in favour of Messrs. Jensen and Company, and endorsed by them and sent to be paid into the Deutsche Asiatische Bank in this Colony on the 8th August, 1904, but which was unlawfully cashed and the proceeds stolen by some person or persons unknown.

F. J. BADLEY, Capt. Supt. of Police.

Hongkong, 16th November, 1904. [2694]

## LOST—DOG.

JAPANESE PUG (male), Five Months Old; White Face, Tail and Feet; Black Ears; Body Black and White. Disappeared from residence Morning of November 14th. FIFTY DOLLARS reward will be given if returned to—

Mrs. C. W. CLARK, No. 5, Ripon Terrace, Hongkong.

Hongkong, 15th November, 1904. [2684]

## LOST.

A LADY'S SHOE. The Lady who has discovered that she carried away from the Clock Room of the City Hall after Thursday's Practice Dance two right foot Shoes of unequal size, leaving the Advertiser in distress with two "lefts," may effect an exchange on application to—

"CINDERELLA," Care of Daily Press Office.

Hongkong, 26th November, 1904. [2761]

## SITUATION WANTED.

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Apply—

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Hongkong, 24th November, 1904. [2750]

## WANTED.

AT the Peak, Robinson Road Level, or Kowloon, Small FURNISHED HOUSE, or Three Furnished Rooms with board. Apply to—

"999," Care of Daily Press Office.

Hongkong, 24th November, 1904. [2754]

## WANTED.

AN ASSISTANT MISTRESS for the Kowloon School. Salary \$90 per mensem. Application should be made to the EDUCATION DEPARTMENT.

Hongkong, 24th November, 1904. [2740]

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S. E. P., Care of Daily Press Office.

Hongkong, 8th November, 1904. [2628]

## ZETLAND LODGE No. 525, E.C.

A REGULAR MEETING of ZETLAND LODGE will be held at the FREEMASONS' HALL, on THURSDAY, the 1st December, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend.

Hongkong, 25th November, 1904. [2752]

## NOTICE.

THE NGAI LUM AND COMPANY carrying on Business at Yuen Chung Street, Yammat, in the Colony of Hongkong, as Brass and Iron Moulders.

THE Business of the NGAI LUM AND COMPANY, hitherto carried on at Yuen Chung Street, Yammat, in the Colony of Hongkong, is being wound up. All persons having claims against the above-named NGAI LUM AND COMPANY are requested to send a statement of their claims to the undersigned on or before the 30th November, 1904.

GEO. K. HALL BRUTON, Solicitor.

Nos. 39 & 41, Des Voeux Road. Hongkong, 24th November, 1904. [2743]

## NOTICE.

THE Undersigned, having never borrowed money or stood security for any person, will NOT be RESPONSIBLE for any debt or Security Contracted by any of their employees. All orders for Goods must be Chopped with the Chop of the Firm.

HONG CHEONG & CO., Tailors and Drapers.

No. 60-62, Queen's Road Central. Hongkong, 24th November, 1904. [2742]

## NOTICE.

THE Undersigned give notice that on the 1st December, 1904, they will establish an OFFICE FOR THE REGISTRATION OF SERVANTS and hope the Public will give the kind support.

KWONG TACK CO., 5, Chin Leung Street, next to Messrs. Lane, Crawford & Co. Hongkong, 24th November, 1904. [2741]

## NOTICE.

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Terms Moderate. MADAME GUIOU.

Hongkong, 26th November, 1904. [2780]

## DAVID CORSAH &amp; SON'S

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Hongkong, 26th November, 1904. [2489]

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ARTHUR CHAPMAN, Business Manager.

Hongkong, 25th November, 1904. [2574]

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MADAME HARMSTON-LOVE, Proprietress.

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Hongkong, 26th November, 1904. [2765]

## PUBLIC COMPANIES

## THE CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the HEAD OFFICE, Victoria, Hongkong, on FRIDAY, the 6th December, at 11 o'clock in the Forenoon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, together with Statement of Accounts to the 30th April last, and of declaring Dividends.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 22nd inst., to the 6th proximo, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors, JAMES WHITTALL, Secretary.

Hongkong, 15th November, 1904. [2628]

## A. S. WATSON &amp; CO., LIMITED.

ISSUE OF 30,000 NEW SHARES OF \$10 EACH.

SHARE CERTIFICATES will be ready for delivery on and after the 20th instant, and may be obtained on application at the Company's Offices, Alexandra Buildings, in exchange for Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation's receipt.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers.

Hongkong, 19th October, 1904. [2475]

## A. S. WATSON &amp; CO., LIMITED.

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

AN INTERIM DIVIDEND on account of the Year 1904 of Fifty cents per Share on the Shares numbered 1-60,000 inclusive will be Payable at Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, Hongkong, on and after FRIDAY, 25th November, 1904, on Warrants to be obtained at the Company's Offices.

The Dividend will also be payable at the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, Shanghai, on presentation of Warrants there, on and after the same date.

The Register of Shares will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 19th instant, until SATURDAY, the 26th instant both days inclusive, during which period no Transfer of Shares will be effected.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 11th November, 1904. [2676]

## HUMPHREYS' ESTATE AND FINANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

## NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a

Call of \$7.50 per Share has been made in respect of all Shares not fully paid up, and that such call is Payable on 2nd January, 1905, at the Registered Offices of the Company, Alexandra Buildings, Des Voeux Road, Hongkong.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers.

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Hongkong, 4th June, 1904. [1417]

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Care of Yee Sang Fat & Co.,  
34, Queen's Road Central.  
Hongkong, 17th November, 1904. [12700]

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Hongkong, 3rd June, 1904. [74]

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NO. 1, RIFON TERRACE (in FLATS).  
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Hongkong, 29th June, 1904. [175]

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A EUROPEAN HOUSE, No. 158, Praya East, Four Rooms and Kitchen, Servants' Quarters, Bathrooms, Hot and Cold Water. Good Sea View.

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Hongkong, 8th August, 1904. [1177]

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Hongkong, 3rd October, 1904. [2363]

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H. M. S. H. SMITH,  
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## TO LET.

TWO FRONT ROOMS on the 1st Floor of Victoria Buildings (No. 5, Queen's Road Central), suitable for Offices.

Apply to—  
DAVID SASSOON & CO., LD.  
Hongkong, 16th November, 1904. [269]

## TO LET.

NO. 1, STEWART TERRACE, the Peak.

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Hongkong, 28th March, 1904. [865]

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Hongkong, 25th December, 1904. [2751]

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Hongkong, 17th June, 1904. [1515]

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Hongkong, 17th September, 1904. [430]

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Hongkong, 22nd November, 1904. [2725]

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## IMPRESSIONS OF A FRENCH JOURNALIST

There are a couple of passages in another interesting letter from M. Ludovic Nauden, the Russian correspondent of the *Journal*, in the October 20th issue of that paper, which (the *Times* correspondent thought) deserve attention. "To speak of the charms of Manchuria to the Russian soldiers," he says, "he wasted labour. The whole army detests this country where it considers that it has gone astray. The soldiers feel the latent hostility of a population that is watching them, spying on them, that knows them and whom they do not know. When our troops pass, the Manchus hide their merchandise, refusing to sell even at the exorbitant prices offered by our commissariat. These among our soldiers who are capable of reflection suffer at feeling themselves among a native population who exorcise them and consider them intruders and oppressors. They think, after all, that they would themselves feel the same hatred for a foreign people which aimed at installing itself by force in Russia and introducing new customs and methods unknown to them. The turbulent element in the army, on the contrary, regrets that pillage has been strictly forbidden. It computes the booty with which it might have enriched itself."

What is to be profoundly deplored is that it has been found necessary to drag an immense number of reserves from their homes. These married men, these fathers of families, have lost their domestic happiness by a single order of mobilization. The reserves should never be called out except for a war for national defence. Adventures should only be attempted with adventures. To plunge a whole people into such wars is misery."

A Russian colonel observed to M. Nauden that in order that the Russian army should become the most formidable in the world only two things were necessary—"a project of reforms developed by a great man, and a decree by the Tsar empowering that great man to break resistance from whatever quarter it might come."

M. Nauden attributes the following remarks to two military attaches in conversation at the railway station of Liao-yang—"How powerful Russia will be in a few years, and how dangerous for her European neighbours, when she has been induced to modernize her army after her pending misadventures! This would particularly be the case if the war with Japan ended in defeat. If Russia is victorious, she will remain in possession of those immense Far Eastern territories, where she will be obliged, in order to secure her supremacy, to use all her resources for half a century. She would be led to improve her Trans-Siberian Railway; she would be more and more an Asiatic Power; she would be daily less interested in the great European rivalries; she would turn her back for a long time on the West. If humiliated, driven back on Siberia, she would reconstitute her military power on a scientific basis. She would experience the natural desire to seek compensation in Europe or on the borders of Europe for all she would have lost in the Far East. The Austrian succession, the question of the Balkans, Constantinople, Persia, and—who knows?—perhaps also India. All that would once more excite her cupidity."

## RUSSIAN PRESS ON REVERSES.

In a remarkable article, published on October 19, the *Russkaya Vedomosti*, which may be regarded as the leading representative of Liberal views in Russia, roundly declares that the responsibility for the present situation in Manchuria must rest wholly and solely with the bureaucracy. The Moscow journal rejects as demonstrably absurd the attempt to find the reason for Russia's disasters in the unpatriotic attitude of the Russian public, "deprived as it is of any share in the political life of the Empire, and even of any opportunity for expressing its opinion on Imperial questions." Russia, it admits, has been asleep, but asleep "in obedience to orders." The country has resembled nothing so much as the dormitory of a police station, where anyone who ventures to raise his head is at once met by the stern command to "hold his tongue and lie quiet." The Press—"an accurate barometer of the amount of freedom of speech which is permitted"—has been "silent in all languages," and even so has not escaped the condemnation of the censor. Meanwhile the "all-powerful, all-potent" bureaucracy, which under the over the shoulders of the country, has itself yielded to the general drowsy atmosphere and has become the "incarnation of our national failings—of our apathy, indolence, and carelessness." In its anxiety to discover foes in Russia itself the bureaucracy has had no eyes for the enemy abroad, while even at home its precautions have merely brought about the very result which it desired to prevent. "They have led to the disintegration and disorganization of the moderate sections of society, and the monopoly of organization has been usurped by the extreme parties. While people of moderate views are forced to keep silence through the impossibility of finding expression for their views in the authorized organs of the Press, our streets are flooded with unauthorized sheets, the influence of which increases daily and hourly." This, says the *Russkaya Vedomosti*, can surely not be what the bureaucracy desires. "At the present critical moment in Russian history, when we are at grips with a formidable foreign foe, the maintenance of peace at home should be our first concern. The bureaucracy and the public should not stand over against each other like two hostile camps, but should unite in the accomplishment of common national aims."

In the course of this article the *Russkaya Vedomosti* expresses undiminished confidence in General Kuropatkin, declaring that "he has saved our army, and remains as before the hope of Russia. He alone can conquer, and he will conquer if only he is allowed a free hand."

## SHARE REPORT.

Messrs. Erich Georg & Co. in their weekly share list, dated the 26th inst., state:—  
The past week has been a rather quiet one, and but few changes have to be chronicled. The money market is getting tighter, which accounts for the smaller business to a certain degree. The sterling demand rate on London does at 1s. 10½d., while Shanghai rates are unchanged. Bursiller in London is quoted 27 1/16d., and Consols 288½.

BANK SHARES.—Hongkong and Shanghai changed hands at 77½, and more shares can be placed; London quotes 270. Nationals can be got at 33½.

MARINE INSURANCE SHARES.—Unions are in request at 365½. China Traders have been done at 363½ to 364, and continue in demand at the lower rate; North Chinas have advanced in the north to 11s. 9d. Yangtses and Cantons without sale and unchanged.

FIRE INSURANCE SHARES.—Hongkong have been done at 335½, and Chinas at 390, and both stocks continue in demand. We are glad to be able to state that our local companies are not interested in the large fire which took place during this week.

STEAMSHIP SHARES.—Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamship Shares sold to a moderate extent at 329½, but more shares are on offer. Indos, which receded to 312½ for 31st December and 313½ for 31st March, advanced again, and up to 313½ for cash and 313½ for 31st March has been paid, the market closing quieter with cash sellers at 313½, and sales for 31st December at 313½; the Shanghai rate is 11s. 9d. and the London rate is 211. 15s. 0d. It may be of interest to note that the average dividend paid since 1882 equals 4.91 per cent., while the average dividend for the last ten years is 7.10 per cent., and taking the last five years, the average dividend is 8.40 per cent., and that the reserve funds, which in 1891 stood at £40,000, now amount to £305,000 according to last year's accounts, with a paid up capital of £495,890. China and Manilla have sellers at 324, while Douglases improved to sales at 334. Star Ferries are unchanged. Shells sold at 24s. 0d., London quoting 25s. 0d., sellers.

REFINERIES.—China Singars have been done at very irregular rates, ranging between 233 and 237½, and 236 and 236½ for 31st December and corresponding rates further ahead, but closing quieter with cash sellers at 233½. Luzons are in some demand at 36.

MINING SHARES.—Unchanged and without business.

DOCKS, WHARVES, AND GODOWNS.—Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company's shares sold at 318½ to 319, closing with a few sellers at the higher rate; the s.s. *Agincourt* has been placed in the hands of the Dock Company for extensive repairs, extending over two months. Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's shares are quiet but steady at 111½.

New Amoy Docks are quiet at 327. Farahams, which sold during the week at 11s. 18s for 31st December, and 11s. 18s for 31st March, have dropped to 11s. 18s cash, but there are some indications of a demand being about to set in for time shares. Shanghai and Hongkong Wharves are quiet at 137½ for old and 11s. 13s for new shares.

LANDS, HOTELS, AND BUILDINGS.—Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company's shares found purchasers at 148 to 149, and close with buyers at 148½. Kowloon Lands are unchanged and so are West Points, while Hongkong Hotels have advanced to buyers at 140 after sales at 138½/139. Humphreys (old) sold and are on offer at 13, while new shares are in some demand at 35. Shanghai Lands have buyers at 11s. 11s.

COTTON MILLS.—Unchanged.

MISCELLANEOUS.—China Borneos sold at 12½ and 13 and have sellers now at 13½. Dairy Farms sold at 27 to 30 and are firm at 27½. Fawcetts are weak with sellers at 44, and Green Island Cements are obtainable at 32 after sales at that rate. Electrics are in demand at 15 for old and 18 for new shares. Steam Waterboats paid the final dividend of 7 per cent. (making in all 14 per cent. for the year) and a bonus of 5 per cent. today, and we now quote old and new shares alike 320 sellers. Langkats are quoted 11s. 29½ sellers in the north; in connection with the final dividend of 11s. 5 per share, payable 15th proximo, it will be 11s. 11 to note that the transfer books close from 8th to 15th proximo. The following telegraphic information, dated Langkat, 18th instant, has been received from the Sumatra manager: "Daily aggregate output of crude petroleum 75,000 gallons; crude petroleum in tanks at date 130,000 gallons; kerosene made since the date of the preceding half-monthly telegram 77,000 cases; kerosene shipped since 11,000 cases; and kerosene in stock at refinery at date 60,000 cases." A. S. Watson paid an interim dividend of 50 cents per old share on 25th instant, and we now quote them 31½ or dividend sellers; the new shares have been done rather extensively at 124, but there are further sellers.

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ANDER RICKMERS, German str., 1,020, H. C. Kohn, 25th Nov.—Bangkok 16th Nov., Rice.—Butterfield & Swire.

ATLANTIC, American str., 670, Antares, 26th November.—Manila 19th Nov., Sugar.—Barretto & Co.

DECIJA, German str., 704, Schlicker, 26th November.—Chefoo 21st Nov., General.—Sander, Wieler & Co.

DERWENT, British str., 1,502, J. Jenkins, 26th November.—Saigon 21st Nov., General.—Chinese.

ELISABETH RICKMERS, German steamer, 967, Gotsche, 25th November.—Bangkok 15th November, Rice.—Melchers & Co.

ELIS, German str., 513, Polarsen, 26th Nov.—Chefoo 20th Nov., Bean and General.—Jensen & Co.

ESANG, British str., 1,127, W. F. Bichard, 26th November.—Tientsin 18th Nov., General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

GERMANIA, German str., 1,714, T. Bruha, 26th November.—Bangkok 18th Nov., Rice.—Jensen & Co.

HAINUN, British str., 636, A. Rolson, 27th November.—Swatow 20th Nov., General.—Douglas Lapraik & Co.

HALAHAN, Dutch str., 395, J. Steendam, 26th November.—Fochow 13th Nov., Ballast.—Arnhold, Kurborg & Co.

HORSANG, British str., 1,149, J. M. Hay, 26th Nov.—Maji 21st Nov., Coal.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

HUE, French str., 705, Godin, 27th Nov.—Haiphong and Ports 26th Nov., General.—A. J. Marty.

KEM UN, British str., 4,897, E. Conradi, 25th Nov.—Singapore 19th Nov., General.—Butterfield & Swire.

KWANGSI, Chinese str., 1,536, Wm. H. Lunt, 26th Nov.—Shanghai 23rd Nov., General.—Chinese.

LEAGUE, American str., 550, D. Yrbar, 26th November.—Manila 23rd Nov., General.—Barretto & Co.

LOONGMOON, German str., 1,245, Kalkofen, 26th Nov.—Shanghai 23rd Nov., General.—Steussen & Co.

MARIA VALERIE, Austrian str., 2,644, Berberovich, 25th Nov.—Shanghai 22nd Nov., General.—Sander, Wieler & Co.

NINGPO, British str., 1,298, Eady, 26th Nov.—Canton 25th Nov., General.—Butterfield & Swire.

POLLUX, Norwegian str., 770, C. Svendsen, 26th Nov.—Probelio 18th Nov., Sugar.—Order.

PROVIDENCE, Norwegian str., 693, C. Corneliusen, 26th Nov.—Amoy 23rd Nov., Amoy 24th and Swatow 25th, General.—Osaka Shosen Kaisha.

PURNA, British str., 2,127, J. B. Pearson, 26th Nov.—Canton 25th Nov., General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

WONGANG, British str., 770, C. Svendsen, 26th Nov.—Probelio 18th Nov., Sugar.—Order.

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LONDON, &c. VIA PORTS OF CALL.	SIMLA	Brit. str.	1 m.	F. R. Summers	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 3rd Dec., at Noon.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP.	TELEMACHUS	Brit. str.	1 m.	Young	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 6th Dec.
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AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP.	MYSON	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 17th Jan.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP.	PIAN	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 31st Jan.
MARSEILLES, &c. VIA PORTS OF CALL.	PERUSIN	Ger. str.	k. w.	Girard	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	On 13th Dec., at 1 p.m.
HAVER, BREMEN & HAMBURG.	SEGOVIA	Ger. str.	k. w.	Schoenfeldt	MELCHERS & CO.	On 17th Dec., at Noon.
HAVER, BREMEN & HAMBURG.	SENEGAMBIA	Ger. str.	k. w.	Forst	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 19th Dec.
HAVER, BREMEN & HAMBURG.	ARMENIA	Ger. str.	k. w.	von Hoff	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 27th Dec.
HAVER, BREMEN & HAMBURG.	C. FERD. LAEISZ	Ger. str.	k. w.	Hildebrandt	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 10th Jan.
HAVER, BREMEN & HAMBURG.	SITHONIA	Ger. str.	k. w.	Ehlers	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 24th Jan.
HAVER, BREMEN & HAMBURG.	ACRADA	Ger. str.	k. w.	Filler	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 7th Feb.
HAVER, BREMEN & HAMBURG.	ANDALUSIA	Ger. str.	k. w.	Lüning	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 21st Feb.
HAVER, BREMEN & HAMBURG.	SAMBIA	Ger. str.	k. w.	Behrens	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 7th Mar.
HAVER, BREMEN & HAMBURG.	SCANDIA	Ger. str.	k. w.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 22nd Dec.
HAVER, BREMEN & HAMBURG.	NINGHON	Brit. str.	1 m.	Andrain	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 20th Jan.
GENOA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL.	BREIZ-IZEL	Brit. str.	—		STANDARD OIL CO.	About 6th Dec.
NEW YORK, VIA PORTS & SUEZ CANAL.	ST. HUGO	Brit. str.	—	H. Pybus, R.M.E.	DODWELL & CO., LD.	About 30th Dec.
NEW YORK, VIA PORTS & SUEZ CANAL.	CLAUDE	Brit. str.	2 m.		SHAW, TOMES & CO.	On 14th Dec.
NEW YORK, VIA PORTS & SUEZ CANAL.	EMPEROR OF JAPAN	Brit. str.	1 m.		CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 25th Dec.
NEW YORK, VIA PORTS & SUEZ CANAL.	ATHENS	Brit. str.	1 m.		CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 30th inst.
NEW YORK, VIA PORTS & SUEZ CANAL.	KEMUN	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 17th Dec.
VANCOUVER, VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	PERIADIS	Brit. str.	—		DODWELL & CO., LD.	On 14th Dec., at Daylight.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & SEATTLE VIA NAGASAKI, &c.	ARAGONIA	Brit. str.	1 m.		PORTLAND & ASIATIC S.S. CO.	On 10th Dec.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & TACOMA VIA JAPAN.	CHANGSHA	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 14th Dec., at Noon.
PORTLAND, OREGON.	EASTERN	Brit. str.	—	D. Lenz	GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.	On 8th Dec.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS.	PRINZ SIGISMUND	Ger. str.	—	C. J. Benton, R.M.E.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 1st Dec.
BRISBANE & SYDNEY, VIA NEW GUINEA.	SCOTIA	Brit. str.	—	Schmitz	JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE	Quick despatch.
YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBE.	TUPAN	Brit. str.	—	G. Kalkofen	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	About 29th inst.
JAPAN VIA SHANGHAI.	LOONGMOON	Ger. str.	—	P. Kalkofen	STEUSSON & CO.	About 2nd Dec.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.	BENGAL	Brit. str.	—	G. Phillips	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	To-morrow, at Daylight.
SHANGHAI.	PURNA	Brit. str.	—	Pearson	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	On 4th Dec., at Daylight.
AMOI, STRAITS & RANGOON.	FRITHOF	Jap. str.	1 m.	H. A. Haraldsen	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	On 30th inst., at Daylight.
TAMU, VIA SWATOW & AMOI.	PROVIDENCE	Brit. str.	2 h.	C. Corneliusen	DOUGLAS LARPAK & CO.	To-morrow, at 9 a.m.
ANPING, VIA SWATOW & AMOI.	HAIMUN	Brit. str.	1 m.	Robson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-morrow.
SWATOW.	TEAM	Brit. str.	—	Sommerville	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	On 2nd Dec., at 4 p.m.
MANILA.	LOONGMOON	Brit. str.	1 m.	Pearson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 3rd Dec., at 10 a.m.
MANILA.	TAMU	Brit. str.	—	R. W. Almond	SHAW, TOMES & CO.	On 10th Dec., at 10 a.m.
MANILA.	ZAFIRO	Brit. str.	—	R. Rodger	SHAW, TOMES & CO.	About 2nd Jan.
MANILA.	TERKONT	Brit. str.	—	T. W. Garlick	DODWELL & CO., LD.	About 29th inst.
MANILA.	BANCA	Brit. str.	—	J. B. Ferguson	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 30th inst., at 3 p.m.
SINGAPORE & BOMBAY.	NAMSANG	Brit. str.	—	G. Payne	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	

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ARMENIA	HAVER and HAMBURG	On 29th Dec.	Freight.
C. FERD. LAEISZ	HAVER and HAMBURG	On 10th Jan.	Freight.
SITHONIA	HAVER and HAMBURG	On 24th Jan.	Freight.
ACRADA	HAVER and HAMBURG	On 7th Feb.	Freight.
ANDALUSIA	HAVER and HAMBURG	On 21st Feb.	Freight.
SAMBIA	HAVER and HAMBURG	On 7th Mar.	Freight.
SCANDIA	HAVER and HAMBURG	On 21st Mar.	Freight & Passengers.

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